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STATE OF MONTANA

MOTION PICTURE & TELEVISION LOCATION MANUAL

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MONTANA

It's the last of the
big time splendors.

And it shows!

You saw how beautifully it shows in the Malpas Company's "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot." Now it shows again in breathtaking fashion in two outstanding pictures — the Elliot Kastner/Frank Perry production of "Rancho Deluxe," and Charles B. Pierce's production of "Winterhawk."

But remember, there's more to Montana than majestic mountains, superbly beautiful lakes, sparkling clear rivers, fabulous forest lands, lush rolling countryside, and truly rugged badlands — we have towns, too! Ghost towns, western towns, turn-of-the-century towns, today towns, and unique, historic mining towns such as Butte, where Devi Productions shot, "The Killer Inside Me."

And there's something more to remember about Montana — the full scale co-operation you'll receive all the way up the line to the Governor himself.

So if you're prepping a location project that needs more than a touch of splendor — call us — we'll show you!

In Montana call Garry Wunderwald, Montana Motion Picture Location Coordinator at (406) 449-2654, Travel Promotion Unit, Dept. of Highways, Helena, MT 59601. Or call our Los Angeles liaison office — Patrick Mathews, (213) 665-2429.

Montana... Locations Unlimited.



MONTANA WENT OVER WITH A BANG AT MGM



It was our cooperation that did it.

The script of M.G.M.'s recent production, *TELEFON*, called for a huge, explosive sequence. Realism was essential — the only problem was finding a building to blow up.

We got it for them — in Great Falls.

A recently-vacated junior high school in the city was scheduled to be demolished at a much later date. But with the help, and cooperation, of the local authorities, the date was moved up — and M.G.M. was suddenly in the demolition business. The result was one of the fieriest sequences seen on film in many a year.

The success of location shooting usually depends on the level of cooperation a company receives from the state and local authorities. In Montana, that cooperation comes easy. Whatever unusual "look" your script may call for, we'll go all out to help you achieve it. What's more we'll be there, if needed, to help at every stage of production. Just ask M.G.M. .

Check out Montana for your next location project. Throughout the state there's a variety of terrain, and unusual locations, that could be just what you're looking for.

WE'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU A CLOSE-UP LOOK AT MONTANA . . . right in your own office. Our new 15-minute location film is designed to take you, via a desk-top projector, for a location-manager's view of the state. To arrange for a screening call Patrick Mathews at the Montana Location Office in Los Angeles: (213) 665-2429. or: Garry Wunderwald in Helena, Montana (406) 449-2654.

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ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations and prices vary throughout the state. Larger cities offer the most variety; however, adequate to above-average lodging is available regardless of locale. Many hotel and motel units have kitchen facilities and allow light cooking. Mobile homes and campers are available in most areas for those who prefer to live on or near locations.

Restaurants range from posh to utilitarian, and choice is largely a matter of taste. Depending on the area, menus are provided for nearly every palate. Prices generally are moderate throughout Montana, and meals can cost as much or as little as desired.

TRANSPORTATION

Four major western and international airlines serve Montana. Direct flights or connections with Los Angeles and New York are available daily through Western Airlines, Hughes Airwest, Northwest Orient Airlines, and Frontier Airlines. Flexible schedules prohibit specifics, but current schedules can be obtained from individual carriers. (For Montana numbers, see listing.)

AMTRAK offers two lines through Montana, serving both the northern and southern regions. Where necessary, bus connections are provided to major business centers. Freight service is also provided by Burlington-Northern Railroad, The Milwaukee Road and Union Pacific Railroad.

Charter air service can be contracted in most areas, and a number can also supply helicopters. (See separate manual listing.)

CLIMATE

Montana's climate is characteristic of the high plains and mountains. Summer temperatures are moderate with highs in the mid- to upper-80's. No Montana town has a winter temperature which averages below zero, even in January, the coldest month.

Air inversions in mountain valleys frequently result in moderate winter temperatures while readings in other locations drop substantially lower. However, the mean winter temperature for all of Montana is 24 degrees.

Because of dry air and prevailing winds, Montana boasts a high number of cloud-free and partly cloudy days suitable for filming. In some areas, such conditions will be found for appreciably more than 200 days per year.

VARIETY OF TERRAIN

The state is divided roughly into thirds. The east is rolling plains; the mid-sections, high plains

with isolated mountain ranges, buttes, mesas, river valleys and canyons; and the west is mountainous. Virtually every type of terrain is available with the exception of desert and ocean. Montana has vast stretches of forests, peaks rising to more than 12,000 feet, unobstructed views, irrigated farmland, badlands, alpine lakes and meandering cold-water streams.

TALENT

Amateur actors and extras can be found throughout Montana. Most areas have theater groups, and most units of the State University System have theatrical departments. Units are: Montana State University, Bozeman; University of Montana, Missoula; Eastern Montana College, Billings; Western Montana College, Dillon; Northern Montana College, Havre; College of Mineral Science and Technology, Butte. Montana Centennial Troop at Bozeman can supply cavalymen with authentic uniforms and mounts. Montana has seven Indian Reservations which, together with theater groups and local playhouses, also can supply talent.

LABOR

Construction laborers and equipment can be contracted in any area. IATSE union members have worked with motion picture production throughout major population areas.

PUBLIC LANDS

Montana is approximately 50 percent public land.

State Parks: There is no charge for filming on state lands. Production schedules and subject should be reviewed with park superintendent prior to filming, however. Environmental or structural damage will not be permitted on park lands. The State of Montana will be held harmless in case of liabilities. These stipulations also are true for State Primitive Wilderness Areas.

State Monuments: There is no charge for filming in state monuments. Prior consultation with area managers or curators of the museum or monument concerning scope of production is required. Environmental or structural damage will not be permitted on park lands. The State of Montana will be held harmless in case of liabilities.

National Parks and Monuments: There is no charge for filming in National Parks and Monuments in Montana. The Montana Motion Picture Coordinator can help you make advance contact with the superintendent of the park or monument to discuss the nature of the film and the producer's requirements. They will cooperate unless the nature of the filming is contrary to the

philosophy of the National Park Service. If extensive construction is contemplated, a bond will be required to assure that the park is restored to its normal condition. If the park is used extensively, the National Park Service may request a print for their files.

National Forests: Filming on National Forest Lands requires a Special Use Permit. Charges are made according to commercial classification of the film. Charges for fully commercial films are:

\$15 per day, up to 25 persons, \$30 minimum charge (2 days);

\$30 per day, 26 to 100 persons, \$60 minimum charge (2 days);

\$50 per day, more than 100 persons, \$100 minimum charge (2 days).

EQUIPMENT RENTAL

Transportation, construction and special-use equipment such as booms and cherry pickers are available throughout the state from private concerns, state and local agencies. Catering service rental is available in all major metropolitan areas.

Photographic equipment is limited, with 16mm the only readily available medium.

LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

Livestock of all description is available throughout the state. Cattle, sheep, and horses can be contracted in all areas from private owners. Tack, Conestoga wagons, and various other equipment frequently can be obtained from the same source. Riders and wranglers can be found throughout any area by consulting either the Montana Motion Picture Coordinator or area contacts. Virtually everyone in Montana rides a horse, so locating riders poses no special problem.

Buffalo are available from the Moiese National Buffalo Range at Moiese. Private contractors include:

James Burnett Luther, Montana 59051
Bob Shall Arlee, Montana 59821
William Brogan Corwin Springs, Montana 59021

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATES

Special permits and tests may be required for cattle, bison, and elk brought into the state. For full information contact the Montana Department of Fish and Game. Tel: (406) 449-2976.

INDIAN LANDS

Montana has 7 inhabited Indian Reservations. Each is autonomous with its own governing body, so filming must be negotiated. It is advised that inquiries with detailed explanations be directed to the Montana Motion Picture Coordinator's office so that contact can be made. The majority of the lands are available for

filming, and the reservations mirror the variety of terrain in Montana. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing.)

POLICE ASSISTANCE

As a rule, Montana's local police forces are not large. Therefore, availability of off-duty officers is limited. However, police officials will make every effort to satisfy your requirements. Outside corporate city limits, County Sheriff Departments can be contacted for services other than traffic control. Highway Patrol officers can also be made available. Queries should again be directed to the Montana Motion Picture Coordinator's office for contact and specifics. (Note: Regulations prohibit use of officers and vehicles for product advertising purposes.)

Filming of local police officers, county peace officers, and Highway Patrol Troopers is authorized. Charge is usually the regular overtime pay for the officers, with cars provided by the police agency.

CITIES AND TOWNS OF MONTANA

Montana is a state with deep western tradition. And that tradition is reflected in its cities and towns. Many smaller towns seem to have changed little from the frontier times in which they were established. Larger cities reflect a modern image which will fit any production need. Architecture throughout is largely turn-of-the-century, and can be found in virtually every community. Virginia City and Nevada City are fine examples of restored western towns. False fronts indicative of the West, and ornate facades are commonplace. A complete picture of Montana's towns and cities is impossible here. Consult the location photo section and specific cities in this manual for further information. Also, selected areas can provide photos and detailed information.

MONTANA MOTION PICTURE COORDINATOR

Garry Wunderwald, Coordinator
Film Locations Division
Montana Travel Promotion Unit
Department of Highways
Helena, Montana 59601
Phone (406) 449-2654

HOLLYWOOD LIAISON OFFICE

Montana has established a Los Angeles liaison office to work with the film industry. Mr. Patrick Mathews can be reached at 2501 Ivanhoe Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90039. Phone (213) 665-2429.

WE'VE PUT IT ALL ON FILM . . . for a screening, in your office, of a specially-produced, 12-minute film showing the many areas, and location features of the state, call our Hollywood liaison office, or the Motion Picture Coordinator's office in Helena.

Population: 61,581 Elevation: 3,117
 Montana's largest city, Billings is nestled in the Yellowstone River Valley. The highest spot in the state is in the Beartooth Mountain Range just southwest of the city. Billings is the transportation leader of Montana, and offers city conveniences in a rustic setting.

AREA CONTACT

John Irelan
 Executive Vice President
 Chamber of Commerce
 Box 2519
 Billings, Montana 59103
 (406) 245-4111

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Orient Airlines, Frontier Airlines, Big Sky Airlines and Western Airlines with connections to and from major cities. Burlington Northern Rail Freight Service. Greyhound Bus/Trailways.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Sixteen hotels and 43 motels with a total of 2,357 rooms. Rates range from \$12 to \$35.

RESTAURANTS

Many restaurants available throughout the city. Rates range \$3 to \$17.

CATERING SERVICE

Three catering services in Billings. Rates available on request.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Vehicle rentals are available from area businesses. Contractual arrangements are necessary.

RUSHES

Billings Studio Theaters, Inc.

FILM SHIPMENT

Air connections with major cities daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock of all types can be contracted. Rates depend on numbers and usage. Buffalo available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Area residents are familiar with horses and livestock. Several rodeo riders in the area.

CONSTRUCTION

Hardware stores, lumber yards and construction companies supply building needs. Contractors and engineers available.

FILM SHOT IN AREA

"Little Big Man," "Missouri Breaks," "Christmas Miracle in Caulfield, U.S.A." — Roundup, "Rodeo Red and the Runaway Girl," "Burnt Fork" — Harlowton, Various Commercials.

TALENT

Studio Theater and Summer Theater. Crow and Cheyenne Indians. (See Indian Reservation Listing).

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Red Lodge Ski Area, Custer Battlefield National Monument. Thousands of acres of unsettled land. Historic sites, 2 colleges, Bighorn Recreation, Pompey's Pillar, Pictograph Cave State Monument.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	33.2	36.0	43.4	57.4	68.1	76.0	88.5	85.2	73.5	61.6	45.0	38.6
Average dly. low temp. (°)	13.1	15.3	24.0	34.6	45.4	54.1	60.8	58.6	47.3	37.3	25.2	18.2
Average precip. (in.)	0.54	0.60	1.05	1.31	1.88	2.55	0.90	0.90	1.19	1.09	0.63	0.59
Average snowfall (in.)	9.0	8.5	10.0	7.8	1.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.1	3.1	6.1	8.3
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	13	12	13	13	17	19	27	26	20	19	14	15

Population: 26,623

Elevation: 4,793

Bozeman is located on the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains in the southwest section of Montana. The home of Montana State University, it is the center of a large agricultural area with extensive outdoor recreation available.

AREA CONTACT

Mac Bryant, Manager
Bozeman Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box B
Bozeman, Montana 59715
(406) 586-5421

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Orient and Frontier Airlines. AMTRAK passenger service. Burlington Northern and Milwaukee Road rail freight service. Garrett and Northern Pacific & Salt Creek motor freight lines. Greyhound Bus Lines.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Eighteen hotels and motels with a total of 828 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Fifty-one restaurants and taverns.

CATERING SERVICE

Several catering services with rates dependent on menu and distance.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rental, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes. Helicopter and fixed-wing charters available.

RUSHES

Four theatres available. (Local and University).

FILM SHIPMENT

Via air daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various sorts — cattle, sheep, horses.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors. Materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Montana State University Theater Dept. Loft Theater. Sheriff's Posse (7th Cavalry).

SOUND STAGE

Montana State University Film and TV Dept. 45'×26'×30' high. The complete program in professional motion picture production at MSU makes available skilled motion picture people to serve in production capacities. Professional motion picture production equipment available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Montana State University, Bridger Bowl and Big Sky ski areas, Hyalite Canyon, Bridger Canyon, Gallatin Canyon, Lewis and Clark Caverns, Madison Buffalo Jump, Three Forks (headwaters of Missouri River), Virginia City and Nevada City nearby. Yellowstone Park, Earthquake Area, Soldiers' Chapel. 60% of Gallatin County is in farms and ranches and over 227,000 acres is forest land.

The climate is mild, dry and invigorating with clean, pure mountain air.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	30.7	35.8	41.0	53.7	63.3	70.2	81.5	80.3	69.5	58.7	42.4	34.9
Average dly. low temp. (°)	10.1	15.8	19.2	30.4	38.5	44.9	51.1	49.4	41.5	33.4	21.9	15.5
Average Precip. (in.)	0.94	0.68	1.41	1.84	2.61	3.27	1.19	1.36	1.76	1.44	1.26	0.85
Average Snowfall (in.)	15.0	9.7	16.9	10.5	2.9	0.3	0.0	T	0.5	4.3	10.9	12.5

Population: 43,300

Elevation: 5,767

Butte is located in southwest Montana, 398 miles from Salt Lake City, and 613 miles from Seattle. Surrounded by forest land and mountains, Butte is the hub of Montana's southwest.

AREA CONTACT

P. J. Kenney
Executive Vice President
Chamber of Commerce
Butte, Montana 59701
(406) 723-6535

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Orient Airlines, Western Airlines, Big Sky Airlines, AMTRAK, Burlington Northern Railroad, Union Pacific Railroad and Milwaukee Road freight service, 8 motor freight trucking firms.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Nineteen hotels and motels with a total of 1000-1200 rooms. Prices are competitive.

RESTAURANTS

Twenty-five restaurants with prices ranging from \$2 to \$15.

CATERING SERVICE

Four catering services.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All forms of truck and car rental available. Jeeps, heavy construction equipment, snowcats, water wagons, and snowmobiles. Mobile homes and camper rental available.

RUSHES

Four theaters available, (3 indoor).

FILM SHIPMENT

Daily flights to major cities.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Variety available throughout area.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many men available from Sheriff's Posse and women from Petticoat Patrol. Area residents familiar with riding and stock.

CONSTRUCTION

Construction materials and contractors available throughout the area.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Evel Knievel" and "Route '66" television show, "The Killer Inside Me" motion picture.

TALENT

Carrousel Theater Group, Butte Community Dinner Theater, Theater Workshop Group.

SOUND STAGE

Butte Civic Center and Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology can be adapted.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

World Museum of Mining, featuring period buildings and streets. Berkeley Pit, the largest all-truck copper mine in the United States. Art Chateau (home of one of Copper Kings restored) — Copper King Mansion, Mineral Museum.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	28.0	32.6	40.2	50.8	60.6	68.5	79.8	77.7	65.8	55.2	40.8	31.3
Average dly. low temp. (°)	0.4	4.9	14.1	25.5	33.1	40.4	45.0	42.2	34.2	26.7	15.5	5.6
Average precip. (in.)	0.59	0.53	0.78	1.04	1.80	2.28	1.24	1.12	1.20	0.79	0.69	0.61
Average snowfall (in.)	7.1	7.2	9.3	5.3	4.1	0.3	T	T	1.2	2.7	6.1	7.7
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	13	12	11	13	14	15	25	24	20	17	12	11

Population: 5,000

Elevation: 4,000

Cut Bank is located in the northern part of Montana, 35 miles south of the Canadian border and 35 miles east of Glacier Park.

AREA CONTACT

Gary Parker
President
Chamber of Commerce
Box 1243
Cut Bank, Montana 59427

TRANSPORTATION

Cut Bank Airport has an FAA station and a staff on duty 24 hours daily. Burlington Northern Railroad, freight service — AMTRAK.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Seven hotels and motels. Prices range from \$12 to \$25.

RESTAURANTS

Nine restaurants with catering facilities to serve 700 people.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes, helicopter and fixed-wing charters.

RUSHES

Two theaters, one auditorium.

LIVESTOCK

Several large livestock ranches of various sorts — cattle, sheep, horses. Large ranches and farms.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Annual rodeos, roping shows and horse shows. Many rodeo participants.

OIL INDUSTRY

One of the largest oilfields in the state. Oil activity is strong and equipment is plentiful.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors. Materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Local talent, riders, Blackfeet Indians.

SOUND STAGE

New auditorium.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Oil industry, farming, ranching.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (0)	26.8	31.6	38.4	52.5	62.9	68.8	80.3	77.9	66.1	56.0	40.7	31.8
Average dly. low temp. (0)	6.6	9.7	16.7	27.5	37.2	44.6	50.2	47.6	38.9	31.1	19.2	12.0
Average precip. (in.)	.41	.34	.49	.75	1.80	2.95	1.33	1.16	1.23	.57	.39	.39
Average snowfall (in.)	5.5	5.0	7.0	4.7	.8	.2	T	.1	1.8	3.9	5.2	5.6

Population, est. 5,500

Elevation: 4,531

Deer Lodge is one of the oldest towns in Montana. It's located in a beautiful western mountain valley on the banks of the Clark Fork River. It was first a trapping and trading center; later an important stage stop between the gold camps. Remnants of old mining camps can still be visited a few miles from town. Located in the valley of the white tail deer, the area is rich in history: Indian trail to the buffalo country; fur trade country; gold country; Mullan Road country; railroad country; cattle country — there is much to see of historical significance. Many buildings still intact predating 1900.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
City Hall
Deer Lodge, Montana 59722
(406) 846-2094

TRANSPORTATION

On Interstate 90. Daily bus service; rail and motor freight service; AMTRAK; lighted airstrip. Commercial air service at Butte, 40 miles.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Eighty motel rooms, priced \$20-\$35, 60 hotel rooms, priced \$8-\$12.

RESTAURANTS

Six. Dinners \$3.50-\$16.00.

CATERING SERVICE

Available. Rates on request.

TRANSPORTATION AND EQUIPMENT

Available on rental basis almost anything from a complete wagon train to modern air, rail or road equipment. Includes: a collection of 150 antique Fords in running condition; equipment related to mining, logging or railroad.

RUSHES

Local theatre.

FILM SHIPMENT

Daily air service from Butte, 40 miles.

LIVESTOCK

Farm and ranch livestock available on rental basis.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available.

CONSTRUCTION

Hardware dealers, lumber dealers, contractors, etc.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"The Howling Winds", filmed at Warm Springs State Hospital, 14 miles from Deer Lodge.

TALENT

Community Theatre Group.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Old Territorial prison buildings enclosed in stone wall with guard towers; numerous vintage homes and public buildings predating the 20th century; remnants of mining camps; operating underground mine; operating sawmill; collection of 150 antique Fords; pioneer cattle ranch with original furnishings and equipment (National Historic Site); maximum blue sky, mountain scenery and sunshine!

WEATHER

Average daily maximum: June 71.2; July 92.2; August 80.5. Only 9 days in an average year will temperature reach 90 or warmer. Winters are not so cold as might be expected at this altitude. While freezing temperatures are observed 203 days in an average year, lows below zero occur on only 21 days. Lows below -25 are uncommon. Sheltered at least partially in all directions by mountains, Deer Lodge escapes the worst effects of most storms. Average rainfall is slightly less than 11 inches per year. Average freeze-free season — 95 days.

Population: 5,200

Elevation: 5,232

Dillon is in the southwestern corner of Montana, within the drainages of the Big Hole, Beaverhead, Ruby and Madison Rivers.

AREA CONTACT

Sadie Smith, Executive Secretary
Beaverhead Chamber of Commerce
Box 830
Dillon, Montana 59725
(406) 683-5511

TRANSPORTATION

County airport. Bus service from Butte and Salt Lake City, Utah. Freight via Union Pacific Railroad. Air charter.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Six motels with a total of 150 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Twelve restaurants with prices ranging from \$2 to \$15.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rental, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drives, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes.

RUSHES

Two theaters available (twin).

LIVESTOCK

Many large livestock ranches of various sorts — cattle, sheep, horses. Grain, wheat.

WILDLIFE

Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, mountain goats, elk, mule deer, moose, antelope, coyote, grouse, bald eagles, arctic grayling.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from local ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors. Materials and equipment available. Hardware and lumber dealers.

TALENT

Ranchers, rodeo riders, miners, loggers, USFS smoke chasers, fire fighters, timber crews, outfitters. Western Montana College.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Typical western towns and ghost towns are nearby, Clark Canyon Dam and Hap Hawkins Lake, Red Rock Lake Wildlife Refuge, Anaconda-Pintlar Wilderness Area. 150 lakes. Bannack — first capital of Montana. Maverick Mt. Ski Resort, Elkhorn Hot Springs Resort, Western Montana College, Rotary Fish Derby—June, Beaverhead County Fair—Aug., JC Rodeo—Labor Day Weekend.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	22.1	25.5	32.5	43.1	51.1	58.0	66.0	63.8	55.2	46.2	33.2	25.8
Average dly. low temp (°)	.46	.47	.72	1.13	1.79	2.13	1.24	.83	1.10	.77	.47	.45

Temperatures vary from 40 degrees below zero in the winter to 90 degrees above zero in the summer. Annual precipitation varies from 12 inches in some lower valleys of the county to over 50 inches in the mountains.

Population: 4,700

Elevation: 2,095

Glasgow is located in the high plains of north-eastern Montana. Fort Peck Dam is one of the largest earthen dams in the world, and 135-mile-long Fort Peck Reservoir is just a few miles south.

AREA CONTACT

Glenn A. Miller
Executive Vice President
Glasgow Area Chamber of Commerce and
Agriculture
Box 832
Glasgow, Montana 59230
(406) 228-2222

TRANSPORTATION

AMTRAK and Frontier Airlines.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

One hotel, eight motels.

RESTAURANTS

Nine restaurants and drive-ins. Average meal cost is around \$3, with a maximum of \$15.

CATERING SERVICE

One catering service available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Wide variety of rental equipment and vehicles can be contracted. Specialized equipment — cherry pickers, boom trucks — available through local utilities.

RUSHES

One theater in town. Two more adjacent.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock can be contracted from area ranchers. Many period vehicles available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many area residents available from ranching concerns. Most people are familiar with horses and livestock.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors and material available.

TALENT

Fort Peck Indian Reservation is nearby, with Assiniboine and Sioux. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing.)

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Fort Peck Dam and Reservoir. Fort Peck Indian Reservation. Glasgow Pioneer Museum. Large cattle and wheat ranches.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	19.6	24.1	37.1	55.9	68.1	74.4	85.3	82.7	70.7	58.2	38.0	26.9
Average dly. low temp. (°)	— .1	3.0	16.2	30.8	42.1	50.1	56.1	52.9	42.6	32.5	18.3	8.4
Average precip. (in.)	0.48	0.41	0.56	1.01	1.49	2.98	1.33	1.49	0.96	0.64	0.47	0.45
Average snowfall (in.)	6.7	4.1	3.4	3.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.3	3.0	3.6
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	12	11	14	12	16	18	25	23	18	17	12	13

Population: 65,573

Elevation: 3,333

Great Falls is a regional marketing center located on the plains of north central Montana. It is surrounded by mountains on three sides, and the Missouri River flows through the middle of the city.

AREA CONTACT

Roger W. Young
Executive Vice President
Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce
Box 2127
Great Falls, Montana 59403
(406) 761-4434

TRANSPORTATION

Many departures and arrivals daily with four major airlines: Western, Frontier, Northwest Orient and Hughes Airwest. Intermountain and local bus lines with charters available. Freight service by rail and motor carriers.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

More than 1,300 rooms available. Rates from \$12 to \$36.

RESTAURANTS

Ninety-seven restaurants and drive-ins offer complete variety in both menu and price. Prices \$15-\$18.

CATERING SERVICE

Four complete, experienced services.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Automobile, buses, recreational vehicles, and heavy equipment of any type and number from approximately 30 local companies.

RUSHES

Five local facilities available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Flights to major cities, daily

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Cattle, sheep, goats, horses and ponies available in numbers. Complete tack, harness, ferriers, buckboards and wagons available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Riders, wranglers, rodeo performers are available from local ranches, horse clubs and other organizations. Some professional trick riders and ropers.

CONSTRUCTION

Full facilities, crafts and materials.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Thunderbolt and Lightfoot" — MGM's
"Telefon".

TALENT

Three Indian Reservations in the area can supply extras. Local extras in most ethnic groups. Military personnel and equipment available with prior permission from Malmstrom AFB or Montana Army and Air National Guard, U. S. Army Reserve and U. S. Naval Reserve.

SOUND STAGES

Several stages available including one 104'×35'×30' high. Also three professional sound stages available.

SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT

Several boom trucks and other types of lift facilities from county, city, and utility companies, sign companies and local contractors.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Paris Gibson Square, Giant Springs, Great Falls of the Missouri, Memke Steam Museum, Bob Marshall and Scapegoat Wilderness Areas, Power Dams, Anaconda Smelter Stack, Buffalo Jumps, C. M. Russell Museum, Yogo Sapphire Mines, Historic Fort Benton River Front, White Cliffs of Missouri (trail of Lewis and Clark), numerous ghost towns and mining villages, wheat fields and large Air Force Base.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	31.6	34.0	41.1	55.2	65.7	72.9	84.7	81.1	71.2	59.3	44.2	35.8
Average dly. low temp. (°)	12.5	13.6	20.2	31.9	40.2	46.9	54.1	51.8	43.5	35.6	24.4	18.8
Average precip. (in.)	0.61	0.74	0.92	0.98	2.10	2.90	1.28	1.26	1.20	0.73	0.75	0.60
Average snowfall (in.)	10.0	8.9	9.6	6.3	1.3	0.5	T	0.0	1.3	2.7	7.3	8.6
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	12	11	13	12	15	16	26	24	19	17	12	13

Population: 10,558

Elevation: 2,584

Havre offers modern convenience in a rustic setting. Located just below the Canadian border in northcentral Montana, the city is surrounded by unaltered and uncluttered plains offering vast panoramas.

AREA CONTACT

David L. Johnston
Executive Manager
Havre Area Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 308
Havre, Montana 59501
(406) 265-4383

TRANSPORTATION

Frontier Airlines, Burlington Northern Railroad, AMTRAK.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

One hotel and nine motels. Approximately 369 rooms. Prices from \$8 to \$45.

RESTAURANTS

Twenty-three restaurants and drive-ins. Prices range to \$15.

CATERING SERVICE

Local company available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Variety of vehicles available through area businesses. Specialized equipment available from local utilities and contractors.

RUSHES

Four theatres.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Area ranches will provide livestock by contract. Many period vehicles in area.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Ranchers and ranch hands, riding club members can be found throughout the area.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors and materials available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Fort Assiniboine with some original buildings. Battle of the Bear's Paw Battlefield. Ghost towns. Rocky Boy Indian Reservation. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing.) Buffalo Jump. Bear Paw Mountains.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	23.5	27.5	39.5	56.5	67.2	74.8	84.0	82.3	70.1	58.6	41.2	30.1
Average dly. low temp. (°)	3.2	6.5	17.7	31.5	41.7	49.9	55.0	52.5	42.7	32.8	19.6	10.1
Average precip. (in.)	.64	.45	.54	.97	1.67	2.72	1.57	1.15	1.16	0.67	0.54	0.55
Average snowfall (in.)	8.0	4.7	4.8	7.8	0.2	T	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	3.8	6.5
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	12	11	12	12	15	17	26	24	17	16	12	12

Population: 22,730

Elevation: 4,157

Helena is strategically located between Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks. Montana's capital city, Helena is within one to two hours drive of 66 percent of the state's population and all major cities except Billings.

AREA CONTACT

Manager
Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 5687
201 East Lyndale
Helena, Montana 59601
(406) 442-4120

TRANSPORTATION

Western Airlines, Big Sky Airlines and Northwest Orient Airlines flights daily. Bus service is available with companies providing charters. Rail service via Burlington Northern.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Twelve motels, four hotels with a total of 795 units. Prices from \$20 to \$35. Banquet facilities for any size group.

RESTAURANTS

Twenty-five restaurants plus eight drive-ins. Top menu prices average from \$2 to \$15.

CATERING SERVICE

Six services available with prices depending on menu and distance.

TRANSPORTATION AND EQUIPMENT

Wide range of equipment of varying sizes available.

RUSHES

Two twin-screen indoor theaters, two drive-ins and Second Story Cinema.

FILM SHIPMENT

Daily flights to major cities.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Most kinds of livestock in quantity with vehicles of several types.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Several bronc, trick and rodeo riders. Area residents familiar with horses and livestock.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Grey Eagle," "Potato Fritz."

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Large Sieben Sheep Ranch is located 20 miles north. Many period homes built from 1895 to 1900. The restored Old Governor's Mansion, built in 1885, has three stories, 20 rooms and seven fireplaces. Reeder's Alley, art and craft center located in original rock dwellings used by miners and railroaders before the turn of the century. Original pioneer log cabin. Significant original fire tower. Helena Cathedral, Veteran's and Pioneer's Memorial Building (Historical Society Museum), Capitol Building, Frontier Town with complete fort and stores. Canyon Ferry Dam, Hauser Dam, Holter Dam, and Gates of the Mountains all located on Missouri River.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	28.8	33.7	42.5	56.1	65.8	72.3	84.4	82.2	70.8	58.8	42.4	34.2
Average dly. low temp. (°)	8.4	12.7	20.2	30.5	39.9	46.6	52.3	50.1	41.2	32.3	20.8	14.2
Average precip. (in.)	0.47	0.43	0.70	0.83	1.56	2.23	1.03	0.89	0.95	0.66	0.57	0.53
Average snowfall (in.)	9.1	6.2	7.5	5.0	1.7	0.2	T	0.0	1.6	1.8	6.8	8.9
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	11	10	12	12	15	16	26	25	18	17	12	11

Population: 20,360

Elevation: 2,959

Kalispell is located at the head of Flathead Lake, 25 miles long and the largest natural freshwater lake west of the Mississippi. The city is just 32 miles from Glacier National Park, and 17 miles from Whitefish and Big Mountain ski complex.

AREA CONTACT

Richard G. Hadley
Executive Vice President
Chamber of Commerce
Box 978
Kalispell, Montana 59901
(406) 755-6166

TRANSPORTATION

Hughes Airwest, Frontier Airlines flights daily. 3 aircraft charter services, helicopter and air taxi available. AMTRAK passenger service 17 miles north. 3 bus lines, 4 motor freight lines, Burlington-Northern rail freight.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Nineteen hotels and motels totaling 650 rooms. Prices range from \$14 to \$38.

RESTAURANTS

Forty-one restaurants, with meeting and banquet facilities for up to 600. Menu prices from \$2 to \$15.

CATERING SERVICE

Four service available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT.

Wide range of equipment available from area businesses. Specialized equipment can be arranged through local utilities and contractors. Two local charter bus companies. Rental companies for trucks, cars, four-wheel drives and vans.

RUSHES

Four indoor theaters.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various types — cattle, sheep, horses, buffalo. Tack and equipment also available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from guest and youth ranches. Many local rodeo participants. Rodeo school nearby.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Flathead and Blackfeet Indians. Smoke-jumpers, Flathead Valley Community College, Big Fork Theater. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing). Experienced extras.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Winterhawk," "Winds of Autumn," "Heaven's Gate," "The Shinning."

SOUND STAGE

Audio-visual facilities available at two AM and one FM radio stations and one TV studio.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Flathead Lake, Glacier National Park, Big Mountain Ski Resort, Bob Marshall Wilderness Area, Flathead-Kootenai Indian Reservation, Flathead National Forest, over 2 million acres of mountains and forests.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	27.6	34.0	42.2	56.5	66.4	72.5	83.7	81.2	70.2	56.0	39.3	31.2
Average dly. low temp. (°)	12.0	14.9	21.3	30.9	37.9	44.7	47.6	45.0	39.2	31.7	22.7	18.7
Average precip. (in.)	1.37	1.00	0.96	1.04	1.67	2.21	1.04	1.09	1.04	1.24	1.43	1.33
Average snowfall (in.)	20.4	10.7	6.5	2.4	1.3	T	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.6	8.4	17.3
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	5	7	10	10	15	16	26	23	18	13	7	5

Population: 6,581

Elevation: 3,117

AREA CONTACT

Miss Mollie Searle
Secretary
Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 818
Lewistown, Montana 59457
(406) 538-5436

TRANSPORTATION

Frontier Airlines flights daily. Burlington Northern and Milwaukee rail freight, Intermountain Bus Line.

MOTELS AND HOTELS

Two hundred and seventy-five rooms, accommodation for 711.

RESTAURANTS

Fifteen restaurants with prices from \$2 up.

CATERING SERVICE

Several available, prices dependent on menu and distance.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drives, buses, plane charter.

LIVESTOCK

One stockyard near city, many large livestock ranches with cattle, sheep, horses.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Riders from local ranches, many rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many local contractors, materials and equipment available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Five individual mountain ranges within 40 minutes of Lewistown. Wide, rolling grasslands, streams, wooded valleys, ghost town traces, good fishing.

RUSHES

Local theater.

Population: 3,500

Elevation: 2,065

AREA CONTACT

Nancy Packer
Manager
Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 704 - 120 6th St.
Libby, Montana 59923
(406) 293-3832

TRANSPORTATION

4,200' air strip can handle small jets. Charter flights available. AMTRAK passenger service, Burlington Northern rail freight. Brown's Bus Lines, Wallace-Colville freight service.

MOTELS AND HOTELS

One hotel, ten motels — capacity 234 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Eleven restaurants, four drive-ins. Catering service available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types machinery, car and trailer rentals, snowmobiles, boats, 4-wheel-drives, trucks.

LIVESTOCK

Livestock ranches in area. Rodeo arena. Saddle clubs.

CONSTRUCTION

Several contractors, materials, equipment. Logging equipment.

RUSHES

One indoor theatre,

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Located on the Kootenai River in northwest Montana. Much Forest Service land. Libby Dam is 17 miles from town and the reservoir backs 90 miles into Canada. Located between the Cabinet Mountains and the Purcells.

"Logger Days" celebration features logging events, raft races.

Arts & Crafts Festival second weekend in April.

Population: 8,500 (approx.) Elevation: 4,503

Livingston is surrounded by three mountain ranges, and the Yellowstone River — world famous for its blue-ribbon trout fishing — borders the southern city limits. Yellowstone National Park is only 56 miles away.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Box 660
Livingston, Montana 59047
(406) 222-0850

TRANSPORTATION

AMTRAK, Greyhound Bus, Belt Mountain Bus Service, Yellowstone Park Bus Lines. Local airport has 5,700-foot paved runway. Air service in Bozeman—25 miles.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Accommodations for 1,100.

RESTAURANTS

Numerous restaurants to suit most any taste. Prices to approximately \$15.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Vehicle rentals available from two agencies.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Area ranches will provide livestock on contract. Period vehicles available through local owners.

RUSHES

Two local theaters.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Area residents familiar with stock and riding. Some top rodeo cowboys and hands. Dude ranch stock and wranglers can be contracted if business permits.

CONSTRUCTION

Hardware stores, lumber yards, construction companies, contractors and engineers available.

TALENT

Active little theater.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Many parts of county U. S. Forest Service land. Two hot water resorts in the county. Ghost towns in the area.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	34.3	38.8	44.5	56.4	66.0	73.0	85.0	83.4	72.5	61.6	45.2	39.2
Average dly. low temp. (°)	15.1	18.2	22.2	30.7	38.7	45.4	51.3	49.4	42.2	35.5	25.5	21.2
Average precip. (in.)	0.57	0.50	0.90	1.19	2.14	2.32	1.11	1.14	1.42	1.07	0.79	0.61
Average snowfall (in.)	7.9	5.7	9.9	4.8	.4	*	T	T	.4	2.8	6.2	7.3

*Less than one-half of an inch.

Population: 10,000

Elevation: 2,371

Miles City is located in southeast Montana, 145 miles east of Billings. Once the horse trading and livestock capital of the country, the town is steeped in visible Old West tradition.

AREA CONTACT

Nelson Smith, Executive Director
Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 730
6th and Main Streets
Miles City, Montana 59301
(406) 232-2890

TRANSPORTATION

Frontier Airlines, Greyhound Bus, AMTRAK,
Motor Freight Carriers, Air Taxi.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Fourteen motels and two hotels can accommodate more than 1,000 people. Prices from \$8 to \$33 for singles.

RESTAURANTS

Sixteen with a wide variety of menu and prices.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All forms of truck and car transportation available including four-wheel-drive, pickups and construction equipment. All forms of year-around recreational equipment.

RUSHES

Two theaters.

FILM SHIPMENT

One flight daily to Billings connects to major cities

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock of most any variety can be contracted from area ranchers. Some period vehicles. Rodeo stock is also available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many men and women. Also includes some top rodeo cowboys and Indian riders.

CONSTRUCTION

Area contractors, materials and equipment available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Turn of the century buildings line Main Street. Historical back bars in saloons. Site of Old Fort Keogh. Thousands of acres of public lands, rolling plains, timber and badlands.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	27.4	31.8	42.3	58.6	70.6	78.5	90.2	87.5	75.2	62.4	43.5	33.6
Average dly. low temp. (°)	5.6	8.7	19.4	32.8	44.1	52.6	60.4	57.7	46.7	35.5	21.7	12.8
Average precip. (in.)	0.44	0.37	0.65	1.06	1.73	2.71	1.34	1.24	0.96	0.87	0.43	0.37
Average snowfall (in.)	6.9	5.7	5.3	3.2	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.5	3.7	5.5
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	14	13	13	13	16	18	27	26	20	20	14	15

Population: 70,000

Elevation: 3,210

Missoula is located in western Montana in the heart of the northern Rocky Mountains. Home of the University of Montana, its setting is alpine; its flare modern.

AREA CONTACT

Patrick Byrne
Executive Vice-President
Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 7577
Missoula, Montana 59807
(406) 543-6623

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Orient Airlines, Big Sky Airlines and Frontier Airlines flights daily. AMTRAK passenger service. Burlington Northern and Milwaukee Road rail freight service.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Forty hotels and motels with a total of 1,446 rooms. Prices range from \$6-\$45.

RESTAURANTS

Fifty restaurants with prices from \$2 to \$13.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, four-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes. Helicopter and fixed-wing charters available. (Note: See charter listing.)

RUSHES

Nine theaters available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Via air daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various sorts — cattle, sheep, horses and buffalo.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from guest and youth ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors and materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Flathead and Blackfeet Indians. Smoke jumpers also in area.

SOUND STAGE

University of Montana Radio and TV Studio, 45'×65'×14' high.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

University of Montana, Snow Bowl and Marshall Ski areas, Kootenai and Flathead Indian Reservations. (See Indian Reservation Listing). (Note: 87 percent of Missoula County is forest land.)

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	28.0	34.0	43.8	57.1	66.6	72.8	85.0	82.7	71.5	57.5	39.9	31.6
Average dly. low temp. (°)	10.3	15.9	23.6	31.4	38.5	44.2	49.0	46.9	39.2	30.4	21.0	15.4
Average precip. (in.)	0.92	0.87	0.73	0.97	1.87	1.91	0.85	0.72	1.02	0.99	0.90	1.08
Average snowfall (in.)	13.8	7.9	6.4	2.7	0.9	T	0.0	0.0	T	0.6	6.1	11.4
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	6	7	9	10	14	15	27	23	18	14	7	6

Population: (city): 2,510 Elevation: 3,117
 (suburban): 10,000
 (county): 17,000

Polson is located on the shores of Flathead Lake. Glacier National Park is 75 miles north and Moiese National Bison Range is 25 miles south.

AREA CONTACT

Fred Manley
 Secretary-Manager
 Polson Chamber of Commerce
 Box 677
 Polson, Montana 59860
 (406) 883-4079

TRANSPORTATION

Burlington Northern spur line, Intermountain Transportation Co. bus lines. 3,500 ft. lighted runway with Clyde Fredrickson Aviation available commercially.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Two hotels and five motels with a total of 120 rooms. Many additional guest operations around shores of Flathead Lake. Rates on request.

RESTAURANTS

Eighteen restaurants serve the area.

CATERING SERVICE

Available through restaurants.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes, fixed-wing and boat charters.

RUSHES

One theater available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Via airlines in Missoula and Kalispell.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various types — cattle, sheep, horses, buffalo. Polson and Ronan.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from guest and youth ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Blackfeet and Flathead Indians (See Indian Reservation Listing). Smoke jumpers, Montana Fiddlers and various local musicians and choral groups. Drama group.

SOUND STAGE

Polson High School Auditorium, seats 750. Stage is 30'×60'×15'.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Flathead Lake, largest natural fresh water lake west of the Mississippi, surrounded by Rocky Mountains. Spectacular scenery with Western emphasis. Cherry orchards rim lake. 65-ft., 100-passenger charter boat and large industrial paddle-driven barge available. Local museum provides equipment and artifacts from early western settlers, open June 11.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp.	31.4	37.6	44.1	55.8	64.7	71.3	82.2	81.2	69.7	56.4	41.9	34.2
Average dly. low temp.	18.1	22.3	25.4	33.4	40.9	47.3	51.7	51.2	43.2	35.4	27.9	22.1
Average precip. (in.)	1.18	.86	.81	1.17	1.99	2.48	1.04	1.10	1.32	1.24	1.16	1.15
Average snowfall (in.)	11.2	7.4	5.4	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.7	4.4	8.0

Population: 4,000

Elevation: 3,285

AREA CONTACT

Alfred F. Klingler
Secretary-Manager
Chamber of Commerce
Box 488
Shelby, Montana 59474
(406) 434-2031

TRANSPORTATION

AMTRAK passenger service, Burlington
Northern freight, Intermountain Bus Line.
Charter service available at airport.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Twelve motels and hotels with a total of 185
rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Ten restaurants and drive-ins. Catering service
available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles,
4-wheel-drives, buses, planes, trucks.

RUSHES

One indoor, one drive-in theater, two
auditoriums.

LIVESTOCK

Many large livestock ranches — cattle, sheep,
horses.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many cowboys and rodeo participants available.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials, equipment available.

TALENT

Many Indians in area — Blackfeet reservation
just west of town. (See Indian Reservation
Listing).

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Located in northcentral Montana, 36 miles from
Canadian border. Old Kevin Sunburst Oil Field,
Sweetgrass Hills.

Population: 6,000

Elevation: 2,100

AREA CONTACT

Lynn J. Staub
Executive Vice President
Chamber of Commerce
118 S. Central
Sidney, Montana 59170
(406) 482-1916

TRANSPORTATION

Frontier Airlines, bus service, Burlington
Northern rail freight, truck service.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Five hotels and motels.

RESTAURANTS

Sixteen restaurants, three supper clubs.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types machinery and heavy equipment. Car
rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drives, buses,
trucks, mobile homes, charter airplane service.

RUSHES

One indoor theatre.

LIVESTOCK

Two commercial feed lots feeding up to 5,000
head of cattle. Many large ranches. Horses and
sheep available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available, including those from the various
Indian tribes in the surrounding areas.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials and equipment available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Located in northeastern Montana, near the
confluence of the Yellowstone River and the
Missouri, in an irrigated valley approximately 75
miles long. Beautiful badlands area, bordering
the North Dakota Badlands. Two draw bridges,
one over the Missouri and the other over the
Yellowstone, both over 60 years old and located
in picturesque country.

Population: 3,486

Elevation: 3,030

Whitefish is situated at the base of the Rocky Mountains on the shores of Whitefish Lake in Northwestern Montana. Surrounded by National and State forests including several small lakes, it is western and mountain-flavored. Glacier National Park is 27 miles east of Whitefish.

AREA CONTACT

Toni Phillips
Executive Manager
Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 1309
Whitefish, Montana 59937
(406) 862-3501

TRANSPORTATION

Served by daily flights of Hughes Airwest and Frontier Airlines. Burlington Northern and AMTRAK.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Fourteen hotels, motels and resorts with a total of 360 rooms. Prices range from \$12 up.

RESTAURANTS

Nineteen restaurants with prices ranging from \$2 up.

FARM AND RANCH AREAS

Large level areas supporting grain crops and livestock, primarily cattle and horses, within 5 miles of city limits.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, equipment and materials available.

TALENT

Local talent plus logging crews, exhibition skiers.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Annual Whitefish Winter Carnival — third largest in the United States, preceded only by New Orleans Mardi-Gras and St. Paul's Winter Festival. Aluminum Cup Regatta.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Whitefish Lake, 7 miles long and 1½ miles wide, site of sailing and hydroplane regattas. Many tennis courts, public and private. The Big Mountain Ski Resort is one of the top-rated ski areas in the United States. 18-hole golf course.

Population: 170

Elevation: 5,280

Virginia City and Nevada City were born with the discovery of gold in Alder Gulch in 1863. Virginia City was the Montana Territorial Capital for 10 years, until the gold ran out. Some 85 miles north of Yellowstone National Park, the towns — they are a mile apart — have been preserved and are the filmmaker's delight.

AREA CONTACT

J. Nold Midyette
General Manager
Bovey Restorations
P. O. Box 338
Virginia City, Montana 59755
(406) 843-5377 (Summer)
(303) 443-9960 (Off-season)

RESTAURANTS AND/OR CATERING

All rates negotiable.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Rooms available at five hotels and motels.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock throughout the area, including Mexican cattle. Wide variety of period equipment.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Area residents are familiar with horses and livestock. Some rodeo riders.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Little Big Man", "Missouri Breaks", "Pony Express Rider".

TALENT

Virginia City Players, experienced troupe presenting summer entertainment.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

150 buildings certified authentic by Montana Historical Society. Two steam engines (vintage late-1800's) with many authentic cars. Engines are narrow gauge with tour cars adaptable to period coaches. Cars are standard gauge and provide excellent interior shots. Vintage cars also available.

NORTHERN CHEYENNE INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Northern Cheyenne Reservation
Lame Deer, Montana 59521

TRIBE(S)

Northern Cheyenne

LOCATION

Southeastern Montana in Rosebud and Big Horn Counties, 80 miles southeast of Billings. The Northern Cheyenne Reservation adjoins the Crow Indian Reservation in the east.

TERRAIN

Low, grass-covered hills to high, steep hills and narrow valleys. Higher hills are covered with ponderosa pine, with some pine on higher ridges and hills in low country. Elevation ranges from 3,000 feet to 5,000 feet.

POPULATION

2,456

BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Blackfeet Indian Reservation
Browning, Montana 59417

TRIBE(S)

Blackfeet

LOCATION

On the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains in northwestern Montana, bordering the Canadian border on the north and Glacier National Park on the west.

TERRAIN

Timbered mountains on the west, dropping to rolling plains east and northeast. Elevation transition is from 3,500 feet to 4,500 feet east to west.

POPULATION

4,594

FORT PECK INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Fort Peck Tribes
Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes
Poplar, Montana 59255

TRIBE(S)

Assiniboine
Sioux
Cree
Chippewa

LOCATION

Twenty-five miles south of the Canadian border in northeastern Montana. Located only five miles from Fort Peck Reservoir, one of the world's largest man-made lakes at 135 miles long. The Missouri River forms the southern boundary of the reservation.

TERRAIN

Elevations range from 1,900 to 3,100 feet on this 2 million acre reservation. The land is rolling hills covered with grass and grain. About half of the area is presently used for farming. Bottomlands, creek beds and coulees support natural timber.

POPULATION

4,250

FLATHEAD INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Confederated Salish & Kootenai Reservation
Pablo, Montana 59855
(406)-625-2700

TRIBE(S)

Salish and Kootenai

LOCATION

Eight miles south of Polson and less than 20 miles from Missoula in the Flathead River Valley of northwestern Montana.

TERRAIN

The Rocky Mountains surround the reservation on three sides. It is laced with creeks and dotted with numerous lakes and reservoirs. The more than one million acres vary from high pasture in the west to agricultural land in the east.

POPULATION

2,700

FORT BELKNAP INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Fort Belknap Reservation
Harlem, Montana 59022

TRIBE(S)

Gros Ventre
Assiniboine

LOCATION

The reservation is located in north central Montana, 54 miles east of Havre, Montana.

TERRAIN

The more than 600,000 acres of the reservation are approximately 2,500 feet above sea level. Most land is open to grazing, with some crop and timberland. Rolling prairies with intermittent high hills make up the land forms.

POPULATION

1,420

CROW INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Crow Tribal Building
Crow Agency, Montana 59022

TRIBE(S)

Crow

LOCATION

The Crow Indian Reservation is in south central Montana, some 40 miles southeast of Billings. Its southern edge borders Wyoming, and the eastern boundary connects with the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation.

TERRAIN

Elevations range from 9,000 feet in the mountainous areas. The million and a half acre reservation offers a variety of landforms with wooded valleys, pine-studded bluffs and buttes and rolling, grassy plains.

POPULATION

3,126

ROCKY BOY INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Rocky Boy's Reservation
Rocky Boy Route
Box Elder, Montana 59521

TRIBE(S)

Chippewa
Cree

LOCATION

North central Montana approximately 30 miles south of Havre.

TERRAIN

There are 107,511 acres of land on the reservation proper and adjacent allotted lands. Altitudes range up to 6,900 feet in the Bear Paw Mountains, to approximately 2,000 feet at lower elevations. The reservation has 5,000 to 7,000 acres of lodge pole pine, plus substantial stands of Douglas Fir and Ponderosa Pine. Mountains and high-plains landscapes make up the reservation.

POPULATION

1,500

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SPEAKING OF MONTANA...

Montana is the nation's fourth largest state—averaging 550 miles in length and 275 miles in width. The eastern third is plains country; the central third is plains and isolated mountain ranges; and the western third is mountains and mountain valleys. The Continental Divide runs north and south through the western portion. The highest point is Granite Peak, 12,799 feet high, and the lowest point is 1,820 feet in northwest Montana where the Kootenai River reaches the Idaho line.

Climate varies with topography and altitude. Average annual rainfall is 15 inches, and the average daytime temperatures vary from 28° in January to 84.5° in July.

Montana has a land area of 93,157,952 acres—over which are scattered 721,000 people. The state holds 10 National Forests, including six Wilderness Areas with 16,635,000 acres of public lands; seven State Forests containing 213,000 acres; and 266,100 acres of individual tracts of state forest land. In Montana are nine State Parks, nine State Monuments, 33 State Recreation Areas, 130 State Fishing Access Sites, and 31 National Historic Landmarks.

Glacier National Park, the nation's foremost trail park, with over a thousand miles of trails, is entirely within Montana. Three of the five entrances to Yellowstone National Park are in Montana.

Montana also has 30 ski areas, ranging from multi-facility resorts such as Big Sky of Montana to secluded weekend only ski-gems, tucked away in quiet spots, and cross-country and ski-tour specialty facilities. On the other end of the season, there are in Montana more miles of blue-ribbon trout streams than in any other state.

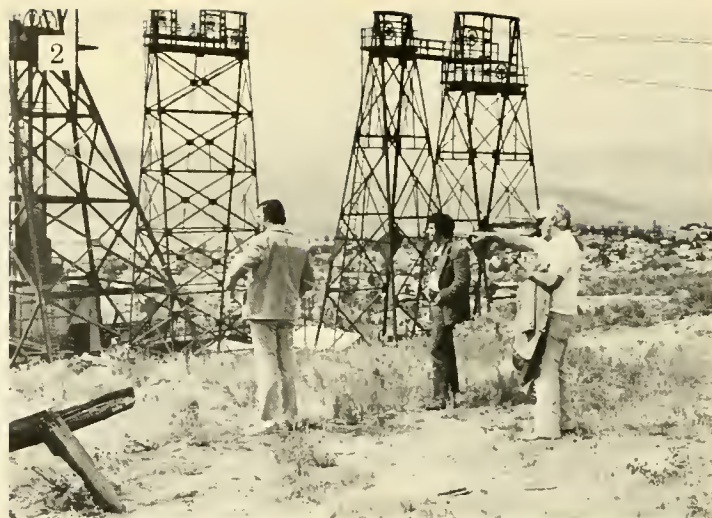
Montana has 24 major dams which provide recreation facilities—the largest of which is Fort Peck, with a lake behind it covering 382 square miles. There are innumerable mountain lakes varying from glacial potholes to Flathead Lake, the largest fresh-water lake west of the Mississippi.

What Montana doesn't have are: traffic jams, over-breathed air, hurry, noise, crowds, rat-races, deserts, or a sea coast.



- 1 Horses in the high, dramatic plains country of Montana
- 2 Tattered yester-year towns dot the Montana landscape
- 3 Looming granite peaks of Glacier National Park
- 4 The virile Western identity of Marlboro Country is mirrored in Montana
- 5 Indian encampment scene from "Winterhawk", with the Swan Mountains as background
- 6 Frank Perry, producer-director of "Rancho Deluxe", works from the boom on location near Livingston





- 1 Nana Lake in the Hillgard area of Montana
- 2 Production personnel look over Butte for the location of "The Killer Inside Me"
- 3 Snow covered log cabin in the mountains of Montana
- 4 A frontier-style shoot-out staged in the restored mining town of Virginia City
- 5 The Swan River reflects an Indian encampment on the Montana location of the Charles Pierce production, "Winterhawk"
- 6 Street scene in Butte's famed World Museum of Mining





- 1 Narrow gauge railroad exhibit at Virginia City and Nevada City
- 2 White Cliffs of the Missouri above Great Falls
- 3 Montana Indians
- 4 One of Montana's many old mines
- 5 Buffalo roundup at Moiese



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1 Glacier National Park. From the air, more than 50 square miles of majesty

2 Waterfalls and sparkling streams abound in Montana

3 Governor's Old Mansion in Helena

4 Clint Eastwood on location for Malpaso Productions "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot"

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- 1 Frontier Town near Helena
- 2 Frontier Town near Helena
- 3 Virginia City
- 4 Roundup and branding in Montana's high plains country
- 5 Indians and cavalry reenact Custer's Last stand on the site near Hardin





1 St. Ignatius Mission in
the Mission Valley

2 East Rosebud Lake
near Columbus

3 Pintlar Anaconda Wilderness
Area near Butte

4 Skiing at Big Mountain
near Whitefish





Robert Daley, producer,
Malpaso Company.

Robert Daley would like to say a few words about Montana.

"Montana is almost virgin territory for the producer who wants new and previously unphotographed terrain. Our production, "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot" was shot entirely on location in Montana. The scenic value and variety we found added tremendously to the picture. And the assistance we received from the state was total and complete. I would recommend Montana to any production company."

And now we'd like to say a word or two about the red carpet Montana rolls out for motion picture production companies. You'll receive full cooperation and every possible assistance needed to keep things rolling, efficiently and on schedule. The full story is in our Montana Motion Picture Location Manual which details the variety of location terrain, climate information and a full run-down of necessary services available. We think you'll be pleasantly surprised when you see how much Montana can offer the Motion Picture Producer. Just ask Robert Daley.



